

Message From Buskerfest Committee Chair

“On behalf of the Kemptville Buskerfest Organizing Committee, we warmly welcome you to the 2023 Kemptville Buskerfest! We’re thrilled and grateful to have you with us today. The committee has been hard at work for months to make this event a success! It’s going to be even bigger and better than last year. We’re extremely grateful for the investments made by the Municipality of North Grenville, Urbandale Construction and our other generous sponsors. Without their commitment and confidence in our band of volunteers, I wouldn’t be sharing this message with you now. We are humbled by their faith in our vision.

Another group of people who made today possible are all of our event volunteers who are running around trying their absolute best to make this experience both refreshing and memorable for each and every one of you.

To close, this day is all about you. Sit back and enjoy the talents of the performers who have been perfecting what they do for years. Enjoy some of the best food and drinks available in eastern Ontario. Let our local shops and vendors provide a unique shopping experience that will leave you wishing you brought a larger vehicle. See you on the street!

*Sierra Jones-Martel
Chair Kemptville Buskerfest Organizing Committee”*

Mayor's Message



On behalf of North Grenville’s Council, we are so pleased to welcome you to Kemptville’s Buskerfest!

There is so much to see and do at this free, family-fun street festival located in the heart of Downtown Kemptville – and not far from several of North Grenville’s heritage rural hamlets.

Buskerfest includes a fantastic line up of outrageous, fun, funny and fabulous street performers, including jugglers, clowns, stilt-walkers, aerial-flyers, musical performers and so much more!

When you find yourself in between acts, be sure to grab a bite from one of our own delicious local restaurants or food trucks, and wander through the diverse vendor showcase of local goods and artisans.

Big thanks to North Grenville’s enthusiastic and dedicated volunteers, sponsors, the organizing committee as well as the Old Town Kemptville BIA for creating a fun and vibrant event that will no doubt have you smiling all the way home.

Whether you came from around the corner or further afar, we want to warmly welcome you to North Grenville, and hope you have a fantastic time at this festive event!

*Mayor Nancy Peckford
North Grenville*



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FREE PARKING

Free Shuttle Courtesy of ATS

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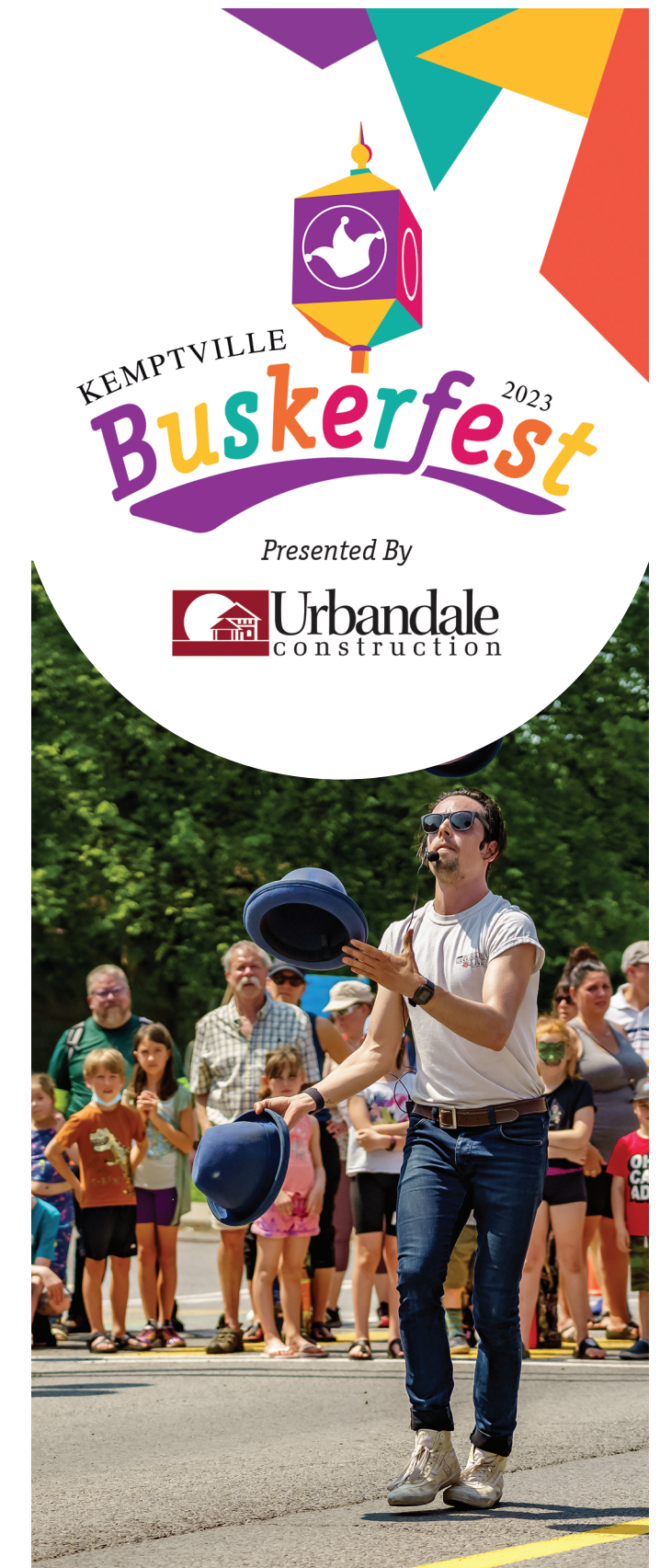
Shuttle Hours: 10am - 6pm

Park & Walk Locations:

Free Parking can be found at the North Grenville District High School, South Branch Public School & Riverside Park Ball Diamond 3. Access festival grounds walking through Riverside Park to Rueben Crescent.

Accessible Parking Locations:

Limited spaces available at St Johns United Church, and the Legion. Access these lots coming from the South end of Prescott St and turning left on Reuben Crescent. Golf cart shuttles will be assigned for pick up and drop off to your vehicle.



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Take a walk down the streets of Downtown Kemptville to see the various Wandering Buskers.

Pablo, the Caricature artist is returning by popular demand to turn you and your friends into cartoon characters!

Stilt-walker Luciano is a multi-talented stilt-walker who loves interacting with the crowd and playing music! Look out for his bright & colourful costume as he roams the street.

Junkyard Symphony Roving Recyclers
This groups drumming drumming, stilt-walking, and interactive basketball games with the audience will be sure to make a splash!

Keep an eye out for some of your favourite characters at Buskerfest including Elsa from Frozen, Boba Fett from Star Wars, and many others!



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Don't forget to explore our Market Vendors and Local Businesses while at Kemptville Buskerfest!

Photo Booths

Take a pic at one of the Buskerfest Photo Booths located beside the Info Centre at Prescott St. & Reuben Cr. North and in the Kidz Zone at the NG Lawn.

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SATURDAY MAY 20TH

	Zone 1 LIBRARY	Zone 2 RUEBEN NORTH	Zone 3 ROYAL LEPAGE	Zone 4 NG LAWN
9:30	BAGPIPE OPENING CEREMONY WITH ROWAN			
10:00	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS		WACKY CHAD!	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS
10:30				
11:00	SPRING ACTION	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS	KEVIN SMITH	AERIAL ANTICS
11:30	YOSHI SHOW			
NOON	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS		CAMPFIRE CIRCUS	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS
12:30				SKYE THE GUY
1:00	SPRING ACTION	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS	KEVIN SMITH	
1:30				AERIAL ANTICS
2:00	YOSHI SHOW		WACKY CHAD!	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS
2:30	KEVIN SMITH			
3:00	SPRING ACTION	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS	SKYE THE GUY
3:30	CAMPFIRE CIRCUS			
4:00	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS	YOSHI SHOW	LIVE LOCAL ACTS / MUSICIANS	AERIAL ANTICS
4:30				
5:00	CAMPFIRE CIRCUS		WACKY CHAD!	
5:30				
6:00		CLOSING CEREMONY		
6:30				

Be sure to visit the **Community Showcase Stage** for more local talent, and stop by **Rotary Park** for Live Saxophone Music!

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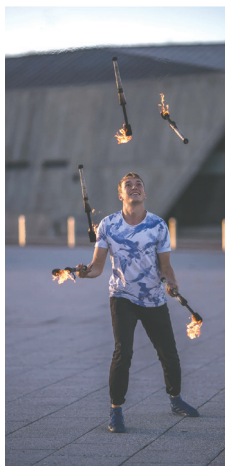
Skye the Guy

We are proud to be a part of this young entertainer's journey into show business. After Skye Fillion won our Kemptville's Got Talent showcase last year, he's worked hard to perfect his act, incorporating some unicycle tricks, and performing for crowds at Saunders Farm. Skye will be returning to Kemptville Buskerfest this year as part of our professional busker lineup! You won't want to miss this talented fire juggler bring the heat!



Kevin Smith, Illusionist

Kevin Smith has been a professional magician for nearly a decade, now performing over 200 shows per year! His passion for magic shines in every performance, sparking curiosity, awe, and laughter among his audiences. Mr. Smith's interactive magic show includes a combination of mind-blowing tricks, mentalism, audience participation, music, comedy, and mesmerizing illusions. Kevin will be returning by popular demand to Kemptville Buskerfest in 2023 and is sure to remain a crowd favourite!



Yoshi

Recently added juggling a chainsaw to his show / repertoire. If he is not sleeping, he is probably juggling. Based in Ottawa, Yoshi has been performing for the past ten years. He trained professionally, and taught at the Verdun Circus School in Montreal. His passion for juggling has drawn him to perform across Canada, the United States, Dubai, India, and the Dominican Republic for the Cirque du Soleil project CReACTIVE. He has appeared several times on national Television, winning the grand prize on YTV's Zoink'd. Yoshi is bilingual and able to perform in both English and French.



Brad the Balloon Guy

Have you ever seen the Star Wars Millennium Falcon made out of balloons? If you can dream it, Brad the Balloon Guy can do it! This balloon artist with a friendly, east-coaster attitude brings a decade of stage experience, amazing skills, and a great sense of humor to his shows. Incorporating the audience, Brad accommodates special requests on the spot. There's nothing he can't build with his balloons! Brad was a big hit with the kids at Kemptville Buskerfest in 2022 and is returning this year to make more crazy characters, creatures, and other creations!



Campfire Circus

Where circus meets the great outdoors! Paz and Molly of Equilibrium Circus present Campfire Circus, joining forces to deliver an electrifying two-person show full of energetic acrobatic feats and high-level circus skills. You'll be amazed by what these two can do together, combining their individual strengths and skills to make a super circus act! From juggling and gymnastics to comedy and fire, there's a little something for everyone in this interactive back-country adventure.



WackyChad!

Big tricks, even bigger laughs. This one-man interactive stunt comedy show serves up a delightful entertainment experience. Hilarious, action-packed, and physically mesmerizing, WackyChad's charm, funny jokes and wild antics will leave you roaring with laughter and applause. Having performed in 26 different countries so far, WackyChad's talents got him on America's Got Talent, The Gong Show, and ESPN2 for PogoPalooza, the world championship pogo competition!! Be sure to catch his extreme pogo stick show at Kemptville Buskerfest 2023!



Spring Action Trampoline

Founded by Olympian Heather McManus and the crazy comedy and acrobatic antics of her partner Sean, Spring Action trampoline show is a family, fun-filled show of high-flying acrobatics and hilarious physical comedy backed by upbeat music. This dynamic duo has been delivering energy to festivals across Canada for over 20 years, and they are thrilled to be bringing the fun to Kemptville Buskerfest 2023!

Aerial Antics

This circus-style group of aerial artists performed at Kemptville Buskerfest in 2022 and certainly wowed the crowd with their display of talent, flexibility, strength, and showmanship! Their playful approach to choreography incorporates the elegance of aerial dance with the excitement of dynamic twists and falls. Watch them flip and fly at great heights from their hoops, silks, and trapeze apparatuses! This year, you can look forward to seeing Aerial Antics introduce a new element to their show: aerial circus comedy!



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